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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ICCS: BUDGET REVISION

REF: A) SAIGON 21152 B) SAIGON 20632 C) SAIGON 20622

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS JANUARY 15, DIRECTOR GENERAL NUR SAID THAT REVISION OF ORIGINAL ICCS BUDGET HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED. NUR SAID THAT NATIONAL DELEGATIONS EXCEPT INDODEL HAD NOT YET PRESENTED TO HIM FINAL REVISED FIGRES FOR INCORPORATION IN REVISED BUDGET TO BE PRESENTED TO THE FOUR PARTIES. NUR SAID HE HAD ASKED FOR CONSULTATION MEETING JANUARY 16 WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF EACH DELEGATION IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THIS WORK. AS FAR AS HE WAS AWARE, HOWEVER, COMMISSION HAD NOT YET PUT FINAL REVIEW OF REVISED BUDGET ON AGENDA FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS. IN SPITE OF TET HOLIDAYS NEXT WEEK, NUR EXPECTS THAT REVISED BUDGET WILL BE APPROVED BY COMMISSION BY END OF JANUARY.

2. NUR INDICATED HE EXPECTS FINAL REVISED FIGURE TO BE APPROXIMATELY  
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\$32 MILLION, OF WHICH \$18 IS ACCOUNTED

FOR BY SECRETARIAT SHARE OF BUDGET. EXACT REVISED FIGURE, HE SAID, DEPENDS NOW UPON SHARE OF TOTAL BUDGET PROPOSED BY ALL DELEGATIONS. HE NOTED THAT ICCS HAS NOT YET RECEIVED FINAL ITEMIZED ACCOUNTING FOR CANADIAN REIMBURSEMENT.

3. ON CURRENT CASH ACCOUNT, NUR SAID HE EXPECTS ICCS WILL BE ABLE TO PAY ALL ACCOUNTS WITH CONTRACTORS AT THE END OF JANUARY, LEAVING A BANK BALANCE OF APPROXIMATELY \$900,000 TO CARRY ICCS THROUGH FINAL TWO MONTHS OF INITIAL BUDGET PERIOD. ONLY IF OTHER PARTIES MAKE ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS WILL ICCS BE ABLE TO FINANCE ITSELF UNTIL THE END OF THE CURRENT BUDGET PERIOD MARCH 31, 1974. AN ADDITIONAL ASSIST TOWARD THAT END MIGHT BE DEFERRING REIMBURSEMENT OF DELEGATION CLAIMS (FOR ORIGINAL TRANSPORTATION, TROPICAL UNIFORMS, ETC.) UNTIL THE NEXT BUDGET PERIOD AND DEFERRING REIMBURSEMENT TO THE INDIVIDUAL DELEGATION FOR PER DIEM EXPENDITURES.

4. COMMENT: MEMBER IRANDEL HAS TOLD EMBASSY OFFICERS THAT BUDGET REVISION PROCESS HAS ALSO BEEN DELAYED BY LACK OF PRECISENESS IN NUR'S PRESENTATION OF REVISED SECRETARIAT BUDGET (REF A). POLDEL MEMBER OF SECRETARIAT (BERNACIEK, FISCAL OFFICER) HAS NOT BEEN AS OPTIMISTIC AS NUR REGARDING CASH BALANCE AND ANTICIPATES ICCS WILL HAVE GREAT DIFFICULTY IN MEETING ITS OBLIGATIONS IN FEBRUARY. INDODEL MEMBER CONFIRMS THAT JANUARY CHAIRMAN KULAGA HAS NOT YET PUT BUDGET ON AGENDA.

5. NUR SHOWED OBVIOUS UNWILLINGNESS AT PRESENT TO PROVIDE EMBASSY OFFICERS WITH COPIES OF HIS ESTIMATES AND DETAILED PROPOSALS ON REDUCTION SECRETARIAT SHARE OF BUDGET. EMB BELIEVES THEREFORE WE SHALL NOT RECEIVE FURTHER DETAILS UNTIL COMMISSION APPROVES REVISION AND PROVIDES ALL FOUR PARTIES WITH REVISED BUDGET.

6. DEPARTMENT SHOULD NOT, REPEAT NOT, CONSTRUE CONTENTS THIS TELEGRAM AS CONTRADICTIONARY IN ANY WAY TO THE EMBASSY'S POSITION SET FORTH IN EMBTEL 20623 (NOTAL). END COMMENT  
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